

CAROLINE COUNTY, MD

Information based on Congressional Districts of the 106th U.S. Congress, 1997

	1997	1992	1987
Farms			
Number	525	588	636
Acreage	111,316	126,981	132,804
Average size (acres)	212	216	209
Median size (acres)	78	N	N
Estimated market value average per farm			
Land/buildings (dollars)	500,487	416,274	347,781
Machinery/equip (dollars)	95,017	63,550	57,186
Cropland (acres)			
Total	94,605	106,610	110,467
Harvested	91,067	101,911	97,934
Irrigated	16,183	14,809	13,279
Agricultural products sold - market value			
(\$1,000)	95,120	85,053	72,343
(dollars avg. per farm)	181,181	144,647	113,746
Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm			
(dollars average)	8,447	23,408	9,340
Livestock inventory (number)			
Cattle and calves	3,168	4,794	4,966
Beef cows	434	794	610
Milk cows	1,472	1,902	1,794
Hogs and pigs	6,098	7,395	8,883
Sheep and lambs	244	391	172
Layers 13 wks or older	D	D	173,449
Broilers and chicken (sold)	34,951,281	35,549,391	37,893,252
Harvested commodities (acres)			
Com, grain or seed	20,547	23,361	23,697
Com, silage or green chop	N	N	N
Sorghum, grain or seed	N	N	N
Wheat	21,452	22,893	20,272
Barley	8,394	11,498	10,859
Oats	N	N	N
Rice	N	N	N
Sunflower seed	N	N	N
Cotton	N	N	N
Tobacco	0	0	D
Soybeans	49,631	61,211	54,426
Dry edible beans, excl lima	N	N	N
Potatoes, excl sweet potatoes	N	N	N
Sugar beets for sugar	N	N	N
Sugarcane for sugar	N	N	N
Peanuts for nuts	N	N	N
Hay-alfalfa	2,266	3,169	3,519
Vegetables			
Number of farms	82	87	110
Acreage	6,758	6,283	6,249

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Orchards			
Number of farms	N	N	N
Acreage	N	N	N

Abbreviations/footnotes:

N represents zero.

0 represents an insignificant amount.

D-W withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

Source: USDA, NASS, 1997 Census of Agriculture